

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

There are comprised a first extraction means 19 for performing an extraction of a keyword from title character string information of contents by using a first keyword dictionary in which a character string designating a sub-genre is registered and a second extraction means 19 for performing an extraction of a keyword from detailed character string information of the contents by using a second keyword dictionary in which names of persons are registered and for performing an extraction of a keyword by utilizing character type separation method. In this manner, it is made possible for a user to extract a keyword for searching the contents automatically, efficiently and moreover accurately from the title character string information and detailed character string information of contents such as EPG information even in home electric appliances in which the throughput capacity or the memory capacity of the CPU is not so large.